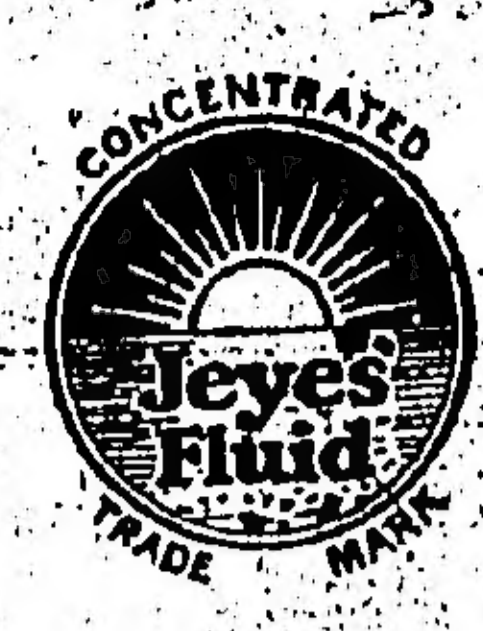


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NEAR EAST DELAY. KEMAL'S CONCILIATORY MOVE.

CONSTANTINOPLE, September 29.
Replying to General Harington's telegram, Mustafa Kemal declares that his troops will not advance further. He desires that no incident shall occur and he will seize the earliest opportunity for meeting General Harington.

BRITISH NAVAL FORCES.
GIBRALTAR, September 29.
A flotilla leader and eight destroyers of the First Flotilla of the Atlantic Fleet, have arrived here en route to the Near East, also two submarines.

AUSTRALIA'S ATTITUDE.
MELBOURNE, September 29.
Speaking in the House of Representatives, the Prime Minister (Mr. W. M. Hughes) said that Australia was praying there would not be a war, but if it came Britain would be in the fight. Australia had previously put in the field a larger army than the Turks could muster. She would do the same again if necessary.

WAR RUMOUR SLUMPS MARKET.
LONDON, September 29.
The nervousness created by the Near East situation was exemplified by a slump on the Liverpool cotton market to day, owing to a baseless rumour that Britain had declared war on Turkey. An authoritative denial was subsequently issued.

READY TO FIGHT.
LONDON, September 29.
At the conclusion of a further series of Cabinet meetings anxiety in official circles was in no wise eased. It is understood the government regard the Turkish action as an infringement of the Allied Note. They decided that it was impossible to permit the Kemalists to remain or reconnoitre positions in the neutral zone. They therefore informed the military authorities they would have complete support in demanding the withdrawal of the Kemalists. They are leaving the question of the time limit to the discretion of General Harington, and Admiral Brock, the High Commissioners. In the meantime the Cabinet is standing by ready for emergencies, and expecting an early development.

HOME COTTON TRADE. SEVERE DEPRESSION.

LONDON, September 29.
The question of the continued severe depression in the Lancashire cotton trade was discussed at Manchester by a meeting of representatives of over 50 per cent. of the spinning companies. Leading spinners pointed out that most of the concerns are gradually losing their capital. Only immediate drastic action can avert financial crisis. Inquiry into the question of fixing minimum prices for standard counts of yarn was suggested, also curtailment of production.

SIKI'S WIN UPHOLD.
PARIS, September 29.
The French Boxing Federation has endorsed the decision of the judges in the Carpentier Siki fight. They have approved Siki's claim to the light heavy-weight championship of the world.

CRUISER FOR MACAO.
LISBON, September 29.
The cruiser "República" has been ordered to proceed to Macao from Soa h America.

HONGKONG TRADE.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

Cotton piece goods and fancy cotton goods.—A fair amount of business has been done during the interval in Dyed and Fancy Goods. There is no improvement as regards Greys and Whites, states the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce's fortnightly report.

Cotton Yarn.—Owing to the continued decline in prices, dealers are confining their operations to only a few sales at a time for their immediate requirements, a reduction in the rates taking place on each occasion. During the interval prices have declined \$4 per bale, and sales amounting to 1,500 bales have been effected.

Quotations.—No. 10s. \$145/108. No. 12s. \$163/172. No. 14s. \$178/190. No. 20s. \$178/190. Arrivals 1,500. Shipments nil. Sales 1,000 bales. Unsold

stock 17,000 bales. Bargains 5,000 bales.

Woolens.—Small sales of Blankets and lastings are reported but the market is very dull.

Raw Cottons.—There was no demand for Indian Staple and the hundred bales which were in stock have been shipped to Japan. Quotations are nominal. Indian descriptions at \$30/35 Chinese grade at \$32/38.

Metals.—Business has been done in Wire Nails 1 1/2 inch. at \$3.20 to \$3.25, 3 1/2 inch. at \$7.60. There has also been a fair business booked in Galvanized Wire 18 to 22 gauge at \$12.50, 15 to 17 gauge at \$10. Bars have been placed at \$4.55 to \$4.70. Demand during the last fortnight has been distinctly better, but this is the reason when dealers fill their requirements for the China New Year trade, it is to be expected. It is doubtful whether the quantities booked come up to the average. Scrap material is quiet. Dealers are not willing to pay the prices as present asked.

Glasgow Horseshoes are on offer at about \$3.30 to \$4.00 and Flat Cots at about \$3.60 without finding

GREEK'S BLOODLESS REVOLUTION. FORMER PREMIERS ARRESTED.

ATHENS, September 29.
The revolutionary committee has telegraphed to M. Venizelos at Paris asking him to undertake the defence of Greek interests with the Entente and represent Greece at the Near East conference. The committee has demanded the immediate departure from Greece of Constantino, Queen Sophie, and Princes Nicholas and Andrew. It is understood that they departed on board a battleship last night. The committee has forbidden demonstrations in the streets.

It is announced that the revolution has not been accompanied by a single drop of bloodshed. Several royalist officers arrested at the outbreak of the revolution have been released. All political prisoners have been liberated. Elements which long terrorised the city under the Constantino regime have mysteriously disappeared. It is rumoured that the former Premier Gonnaris, Stratos and Protopapadakis have been arrested. Many politicians believe the reign of the new king will not be long and that a republic is likely.

REVOLUTION PURELY NATIONAL.
ATHENS, September 29.
The revolutionary leaders, in a statement, insist that the movement is absolutely national and exclusively aimed at reparation of the recent catastrophe by the creation of a strong army to save Thrace. They declare that settlement of the dynastic question must conform with the will of the great majority of the Greek people.

CONSTANTINOPLE, September 29.
The High Commissioners have decided to despatch a commission composed of British, French and Italian officers to Rodosto, Luleburgas, and Adrianople to exercise pacifying influence.

PARIS, September 29.
A message from Athens confirms the report of the arrest of the three former premiers mentioned earlier, also Theotokis and Rear Admiral Goudas. The message adds that it is expected they will be brought for trial as responsible for events in Asia Minor.

LEAGUE FINANCES. MEMBERS DEFAULT.

GENEVA, September 29.
The report of the Fourth Commission shows that the League is financially stressed owing to non-payment of contributions totalling 5,000,000 gold francs for 1921, and payment up to the present of only 55 per cent of the 1922 contributions, while the budget has increased to 25,500,000.

IRISH POSTAL STRIKE TERMS.

LONDON, September 29.
The Irish postal settlement provides for three-eighths of the proposed wage reduction to operate from October 1 and the remainder from December 1.

RUBBER SLUMP. BRITISH MEASURES.

LONDON, September 29.
A supplementary report of the Colonial Office rubber committee is being issued shortly. It is anticipated that it will favour restriction of output in British overseas possessions.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, SEPT. 30, 1922.

ADVERSARIA.

There is supposed to be some pathos permissible in doing a thing for the last time. It is human enough to feel that way, perhaps; but if you think it over in cold blood it seems a bit morbid and silly. Charles Lamb seems to have felt it when he left the job from which he had long been yearning to be free. The last visit to the dentist when he pulls your last tooth out, ought to be an exception, I think. Yet there are people so sentimental that they would feel a sweet sadness on their last day in jail. There are many "last times" in a normal life, and every one of them is a sort of little death to the sentimental. A fond farewell—and away he goes to make the same old fool of himself in some other but similar place. The only case where I can recognize such melancholy, as justifiable is that of the man rising from his bed, or bed to go and get married; and he is too besotted with hopes to feel it.

Yachting, however, is one of those circumstances that alter cases. The last cruise—ah! How express the emotions appropriate to that! The very beginning of it is a tearing of the mind. To which of the many beloved anchorages shall it be? The dear hills and well remembered skivvies the waterfalls (just now at their feet and best), the clean sandy playgrounds of a long and happy past. The shipmates of countless sweet and salubrious week-ends. No. After all such feelings are inexpressible and it is better not to try. Words with all their magic cannot frame a friendship, nor reveal the secret pulsations of the heart. *Song!*

None of the papers seems to have mentioned the great theme of the late Jimmie Logan's conversation. He loved to talk about the married life of Lord Robert to Kandaiah.

The names of a friend may be too "mournful" for the purposes of the strict historian; but their very generosity is evidence alike

of the sincerity of the friendship and the worth of the friend. Robert has a noble nature and observes *unbiased* duty. He will "ave his own in the hall of my kind memories."

So far as I know the penalty for piracy is death by hanging or not is still hanging. I cannot remember a hanging for piracy in Hongkong where there ought to be one a month. In fact, the law is so thoughtful and kind and careful of the interests of pirates here that I think the time has come when the Government should go the full logical length of the treatment, and start pensioning them. There's your winning slogan. You unofficial members, "Pensions for pirates." Get on with it.

If the Government happens to have a healthy cadet that it isn't using at the moment, I suggest that it give him a tin of sandwiches and a thermos flask and send him out to count the new Chinese graves appearing on our hillsides away from the recognized cemeteries. They seem to me to be multiplying fast, and if Hongkong isn't careful it will suffer the fate of large areas in China, abandoned to the useless uses of the dead.

Study the existing Registration law (a War Measure left over) and consider it. Ask yourselves if it is necessary. Examine the claims of those who say it is. Remember what British liberties and British sentiments were before the war, and agitate, agitate. It is good exercise, and wholesome. Remember that the appetite for power grows on what it feeds on, and that every inch you give it makes it strive for an all. Quit ye like men; be strong.

Between the journalist and the private citizen the latter can easily be shown to have the best of it. Arise a Near-East crisis, and the journalist is faced with but one choice. He must say something, and if he says what he doesn't think he displeases himself till the shame wears off. If he says that the British Cabinet should be shot at dawn, and the French Ministers hanged at twilight, the Boss tells him that four copies less than usual were sold that evening. Dr. Williams, the pill man, withdraws his advertisement because he doesn't like the policy or tone of the paper; and if the writer is spotted going up in the Peak tram, the

Peakites spit at him for a editions, disloyal Bolshevik. Where as when the Private Citizen is asked what he thinks about this Near-East business, he blithely (and safely) answers that he knows nothing about it. "Fact is, old thing, I've been so busy with my stamp collecting that I've had no time to read the telegrams. Say! You tell me all about it, there's a good chap." And he happily thinks about stamps while the other contentedly pours out a monologue about the Armenians, and Trebizond, and the Turkish tobacco interests.

No greater stupidity has ever emanated from an Englishman, than the legend of Scottish manners (or parsimony). It is cruelly repeated in the London Morning Post, which I am about to quote. But before I quote I want to say that we should all remember the possibility, almost the probability that the label was reprinted by a humorous Scotsman. Being an Englishman I take it seriously, and censure the English newspaper for a job that is neither true nor funny. Lord Strathclyde, formerly Alexander Lord, was solicitor general for Scotland and afterwards Lord Advocate, and has been enjoying a pension of £3,750, which he has now voluntarily relinquished. The Morning Post included in its comments the following: "That anyone should surrender a pension in these grasping days seems almost too impossible to be true; that he should be not only a lawyer, but a Scotsman, does not lessen our amazement." If the only Scots we knew were those we meet in the Park, we would have an absolutely correct legend about them. We would talk of them as an extravagantly generous race, and perhaps even more as their self-spendthrifts. For they are intensely sociable and everlastingly insisting on "standing treat." How the little-known legend ever arose I cannot guess, for the thrift that was necessary in rural Scotland for many was known also in England. Perhaps Scottish humour started it, for the benefit of Aberdonians, and we English took the job for earnest, as we often do. It is a legend we ought to drop, if only because it is so stale and so absurdly inapplicable.

I was waiting in the Yokohama Specie Bank until someone saw fit to ask my business. It was the usual long wait, but worth while. A young American was annoyed because the comptroller wouldn't change some pesos for him. He came over to my counter, and by vocal efforts attracted the clerk whose eye I had been vainly trying to catch. He complained. The Japanese smiled. Now it is not as well known as it should be, amongst foreigners, that that irritating Japanese smile is good manners. It is apologetic. It infuriated the young American. "All right," he bawled. "You can stand there and laugh at me. We bank with you at all your eastern branches, and we can change our account. Seeing you are our clients, it is up to you to change my pesos for me. You won't. You laugh. All right." The tone of the last phrase was threatening; it imported that things would not always be all right. I gathered from the clerk, after the angry American had gone, that there was "no demand" for pesos just then.

Here is a quotation from a speech I am making this afternoon, to the newspaper men, to the case this will be a "scoop." Ah! I'm telling 'em how and why I am a failure as a journalist. The mischievous fairy who visited my cradle bestowed on me the fatal gift of an analytic mind. "The truth," though it elays me, is a noble sentiment; but it does not pay either socially or journalistically. Pure intellect at the time she recklessly but not wretchedly. Just as life is happier with a religion than without one; so life is smoother with illusions and kindly humbug than with the cold scientific scalpel. I can best illustrate this with a little parable. A lady (friend of mine) had a baby. I'm sure you will not be obliged as to draw the naughty inference. She loves her husband and her friendship was strictly platonic. I went up to see, and was, of course, shown the baby by the proud mother. "Isn't she a darling?" she said. I inspected the infant and replied, "Dear lady, between you and me there is no room for polite hypocrites. I have never told you a lie. This baby appears to me a quite immature animal as yet, utterly devoid of intelligence, and it sobsbers very artistically." That lady, like part of the Hongkong public, did not appreciate my intellectual honesty.

The China Mail has a story about a "scientist" who claims he can change the colour of trees, by injecting aniline dye into them. I would not dispute his claim, but why does he do it? Why let him do it? It is worse than "paint-

ing the lily." I do not want to see purple trees, or trees of any, but natural colours. It is bad enough to see them clipped and pruned to shape men fancy. I issue permission here with to any volunteer to go and inject aniline dye into that German "scientist" to make him desist.

After the typhoon of a week ago, and the coolth it brought, men spoke to each other, and said that the hot weather was definitely gone. Slight changes were made in the cut or of clothing. Our pocket climate played its usual joke on them, and for Wednesday and Thursday provided an Indian summer, a hot spell that they felt all the more for the previous few days relaxation. It was so hot on Wednesday that a horse on the Peak took fire and was burnt up.

"Parting is such sweet sorrow," said Romeo (if it wasn't Juliet) "that I could say good night till it were morning." We all know (I hope) just what that meant. We have all lingered at the door, or the garden gate, bidding the beloved goodbye, but returning for one last kiss, and another, and another. That's different. This business of parting here is another story. I have heard that there are people who love lots of social engagements, and who are never prouder than when pulling out a little engagement book to see if they have a free night the week after next. It would kill me. I know it would because I am half dead now. You see, I am making another of my little journeys, and my friends have been forcing illness and dinners upon me all this last week, to strengthen me for the journey. I suppose. They meant it kindly, and I love them because they are kind; but little by little they realize my offerings. Not only did I have to put on a collar, but these engagements prevented me from dropping in at my usual haunts. I want to see more gorge at the Restaurant of Seventeen Delectable Flavours, and I desired to drop in at Nagasaki Joe's to say goodbye to the boys. Also I wanted to pack. Now a lot of them threaten to come to the steamer to see me off. I suppose they mean that kindly, also; but it betrays a lamentable ignorance of the necessities of a modern traveller. When I was a boy going to school I hated my folks to come to the station, and it pained for farewell at home. Now the object is even stronger. When I go aboard a steamer there are lots of little jobs I like to attend to, such as taking possession of my fair half of the cabin equipment, getting a good place on the bath-list, and so on. In fact of which I am expected to hang round listening to people saying all the silly, meaningless things they do when "saying people off." He does, how do they know that somebody else's wife will not be there taking a long farewell, a case where "twain's company"? Those who want to be kind to me, and consider my inclination in the matter, will not bother me on the steamer. I shall be too busy to speak to those who do, and that's fair warning.

The Compulsory Registration of a unit having failed, they are now issuing printed questionnaires to all men likely to be of use in any crisis like that of the late strike. I notice that all those who respond will be enrolled as special constables. My objection to this time is to the fact that the police are doing this enquiry. Is it not possible to get our police to mind their own proper business? I maintain that they have enough to do and that it doesn't go down.

Now somebody will be sure to come back with the old line rejoinder that special constables are legitimate police business. May be so. In that case I box that the real issue be the least need we have at such times. Order in strike time can be maintained, and is better maintained, without special constables. I saw during the last strike "specials" bullying and provoking Chinese—most improper. The real object of this enquiry is to find out who can help to carry on essential services, stoppage of which may be threatened by a strike. Consequently what we want is a Corps of Essential Services Citizen Volunteers, and that can be organized without military or police Red Tape. There is no more criminality for our police to cope with that I want to see all their energies devoted to it.

And so, if you please, that's that. I'm d— tired, and want a long long rest. So you, I dare say. Well, anyway—cheerio!

But before I dry up I must give you a little competition local story which you may use as a gossiping matter. One was a famous lecturer. The lecturer had invited the G.P. to previous lectures; but he had hitherto discovered quite valid reasons for being elsewhere on those occasions. To this particular lecture, for which tickets had been issued to the public, the Great Personage actually went. He sat it through, and if you know the fatal facility of that lecturer for digressions, you would admit the heroism. When time ended his sufferings the G.P. hastened home and gasped: "Boy! Whisky soda. Quick. For mercy's sake." Taking a gulp and a long breath the G.P. said: "Never, never before have I listened to a lecture (gulp) from which it was possible to derive such a total lack of information."

MISSING FARMS.

JAPANESE NEWSPAPER'S CHARGES.

Tokyo, Sept. 30.

Revelations of alleged intrigues regarding disposal of arms are continued by the Kokumin which now alleges that Japanese militarists have completed plans to establish a buffer state in conjunction with Chang Tso-lin and Dietrichs, and the organization of a financial syndicate to assist both partners. The War Office spokesman quoted by the Kokumin denies there is a plan for establishing a buffer state, but admits the disappearance of part of the confiscated arms and ammunition, the destination of which is now being investigating by the Foreign Office.—*Reuter.*

BANK'S MISSING LAKHS.

MYSTERY STILL UNSOLVED.

The mystery surrounding the disappearance of two lakhs of dollars from the local office of the International Banking Corporation has not yet been cleared up. Inquiries made by a China Mail reporter at the bank this morning elicited that it has been established that the vault and safe have not been tampered with and it is equally clear that no bookkeeping mistake has occurred.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

On October 1, the sun rises at 6.15 and sets at 6.12. On October 31, it rises at 6.27 and sets at 5.48.

The Chief Officer of the s.s. "Duras" had \$130 stolen from a locked drawer in his cabin during his absence yesterday morning.

Forthcoming Crown land sales include 28,793 sq. ft. on Tung I Island for an upset price of \$268; and 12,000 sq. ft. Magazine Gap Road for an upset price of \$1,440.

Knocked down by motor-car No. 125 at the junction of Pokfulam Road and Queen's Road West yesterday, a coolie is now in hospital receiving treatment to his head and leg.

The cabin of the Chief Engineer of the s.s. "Providence" was entered yesterday while he was in the engine-room. A drawer was broken open and jewellery and money worth \$503 were stolen.

A coolie employed at a shop in Wingkat Street, was yesterday admitted to hospital suffering from injuries to his head received through a fall in attempting to alight from a tram car in Des Vaux Road West.

As it appears that British income tax repayment in many cases will be claimable for three years (the limit allowed) Mr. W. R. Fairbrother, Income Tax Specialist, of 67-68, Chancery Lane, points out for the benefit of our readers that no claim for the year 1919-20 will be admitted after April 5, 1923.

The Public is reminded that it will be possible to book seats at Moutrie's on Tuesday next for "I'll Leave It To You" to be played on the nights of the 12th, 14th and 18th October. Quite a rush for seats is anticipated for the A. D. C.'s production of this light comedy so that it will be advisable to book early.—*Advert.*

A fire broke out at 7.45 p.m., yesterday in a stonecutters' workshop at Footan village, Salwanbo, owned by Tsang Tsak, quartermaster of 278, Shawkwan West. In spite of the efforts of the district police, the workshop was completely gutted. Damage, including the loss of personal effects of ten stonecutters living in the workshop, is estimated at \$100.

Mr. Claud Severn as Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Officer Administering the Government of the Colony of Hongkong, and its Dependencies and Vice Admiral of the same, "dressing" to visit certain graves in the Tung Wah Hospital Cemetery. The graves were removed last night by the necessary order under the Public Health and Building Ordinance.

ANNUAL MEETINGS.

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

The Kowloon Cricket Club held its annual meeting yesterday. The President (Dr. O. Forsyth) was in the chair.

After the annual report, the substance of which has already been given in the China Mail had been presented, the Chairman congratulated the Club on a very successful year as regards both sport and finance. Referring to the income derived from the bar, which amounted to \$28,630, he expressed the opinion that the profits should have been larger than \$4,000. He suggested to the incoming committee that a new system of checking the bar accounts be adopted. There was a leakage somewhere, which should be rectified at once—(applause).

Dr. Forsyth thanked Mr. Wells for the handsome shield presented as a memento of the Club's winning both Cricket League shields, and proposed the adoption of the report and balance sheet.

This was seconded by Mr. L. J. Blackburn and carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

In proposing the re-election of the President, Mr. R. E. Lindell eulogized Dr. Forsyth's past services to the Club and mentioned particular instances of his generosity.

The proposition was carried with applause.

Other officers were elected as follows:—Vice-President, Mr. R. E. Lindell; Captain, Mr. J. P. Robinson; Vice-Captain, Mr. B. D. Evans; Hon. Secretary, Mr. P. H. Heathcote; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. E. Stevens; General Committee, Messrs. E. Abraham, H. Overy, L. J. Blackburn, A. W. E. Davidson, B. D. Evans, T. G. Herdridge, J. McMurtrie, and F. P. Shroff; Ballotting Committee, Messrs. J. Cornely, A. W. Avenell, J. Oxberry, K. E. Staple, J. C. Fletcher, J. H. Kynoch, N. L. Raiton, W. Goldenburg, F. G. Thompson and R. C. Hunter.

A suggestion which will have to come before a special meeting, that the Club be registered as a Limited Company, was then discussed.

Mr. Lindell said that last May the Government notified that, at some uncertain date, they would have to move to a site prepared for them on King's Park. The scheme, started two years ago, for a new club-house had produced \$18,000. As a private Club they had no legal existence, and persons holding debentures were the only persons liable. That did not seem fair to those who had signed the debentures; he had signed hundreds himself—(laughter). Of late years, many clubs had been formed into limited companies, and he thought the Kowloon Cricket Club should follow this course and that all members should share the liabilities. He proposed a resolution that in the opinion of the meeting it was desirable to form the Club into a limited company.

The proposition was carried, and the meeting concluded.

CIVIL SERVICES CRICKET CLUB.

Another annual meeting, held yesterday was that of the Civil Services Cricket Club over which H. E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. Clad) presided.

Proposing the adoption of the reports and accounts the Chairman said the year had been a successful one financially and their last season's cricket record was, he thought, exactly described as "fair." He hoped that next year there would be an improvement in Civil Service tennis.

A member wanted to know how it was that \$650 was outstanding under "subscriptions" when only two names had been added to the list during the year. The hon. treasurer (Mr. R. E. Vergette) explained that a number of members were absent from the Colony.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following officers were elected:—Hon. secretary: Mr. Colin Sans; hon. treasurer: Mr. Hackett; hon. steward: Mr. R. T. Taylor; Captain: Mr. A. E. Wood; vice Captain: Mr. G. R. Sayer; "A" team captain: Mr. Taylor; bowls representative: Mr. Patheyjohns; tennis representative: Mr. Lane; green ranger: Mr. Sans. Committee: Messrs. R. S. Vergette, O. J. Tagchi, J. W. Deakin, E. J. A. Bullcock, W. Regan, H. W. Sandford and B. E. Alderman; auditors: Messrs. V. Brickett and C. James.

AMMUNITION OF RULES.

Proposed alterations to the rules were next discussed.

A proposal to add a "net bats representative" to the Committee was approved although Mr. R. W. Hamilton suggested that the presence of the Captain and Vice-Captain of the Club was sufficient.

ARMED ROBBERS AGAIN.

CHINESE DETECTIVE SERGEANT SHOT.

A SENSATIONAL OCCURRENCE.

An armed robbery in a Chinese boarding house at No. 26 Wingwo Street at 8 o'clock last night, resulted in a Chinese detective sergeant Sin Chuen being shot dead. Seven armed men entered the boarding house and held up the inmates, who included some emigrants beside the folk of the boarding house. The surprised victims were helpless to offer any resistance or to give the alarm, and they were speedily bound and gagged by the intruders who afterwards herded them together in a small cubicle at the back of the premises. The master of the house was forced at the point of the revolver to reveal where the safe keys were kept. The matter of opening the safe and emptying its contents only occupied a few moments, and the robbers left within 10 minutes, carrying away with them a large quantity of easily transportable valuables including \$6,000 in American currency which had been deposited with the boarding house keeper by clients.

The victims did not succeed in releasing themselves until half an hour after the robbers had left, and then a line and cry was raised.

In the meantime, unaware of what was happening in the boarding house, Detective Sergeant Sin Chuen happened to pass the shop, and seeing some men rushing down the stairs, he promptly challenged them. For reply, one of the men whipped out a revolver and fired at the Sergeant point blank, at a few feet from him. The bullet went clean through the Sergeant's body, in the left side of the chest and he collapsed. Other police were attracted to the spot by the revolver report, and two alleged robbers were arrested in the street, in front of the boarding house. One of the prisoners was armed. The wounded Sergeant was immediately taken to the hospital, but died soon after admittance.

The other five robbers made a bolt for freedom followed by several policemen. A good deal of firing went on between the robbers and the pursuers during the chase, but no one was hit, and the robbers made good their escape.

While a strong posse of Chinese police, with revolvers cocked, was escorting the arrested man to the station, one of the weapons went off accidentally, i. Graham Street, and two pedestrians, said to be two brothers, were hit. They were taken to the hospital. It is understood that their injuries are not serious.

Detective Sergeant Sin Chuen, the murdered police officer, was the hero of the Woping Theatre murder and it is fitting to recall the tribute paid to him by the Attorney General, at the trial of the accused a year ago. During the hearing of the case, the Attorney General spoke of Sin Chuen as "a man of promptitude, observation, determination and quick decision—one of the best witnesses one could wish to have—straight forward, clear, frank and unshaken by cross examination."

It was agreed that when a member is posted the amount of his default shall be posted also.

It was proposed also "to remove the names of such members from the Championship Board, if there be." Mr. Massey said that most members seemed to think the proposal rather "small"—(applause). Such members must have "played the game" to have got their names on the Championship Board; members did not know the reasons of their default; perhaps they had a thin on civil duty. To remove the names would also damage the Club records; rather than do that, leave them there—(applause).

The Chairman, I think the sense of the meeting is that the proposal should be dropped. I agree with what has been said.

The meeting passed on to the next business.

A rule was adopted making the proposer liable for certain duties if a new member, after being proposed, did not pay his entrance fee and subscription. It was explained that this rule was necessary to curb the enthusiasm of members who proposed friends not really desirous of joining.

Mr. F. J. Ling was elected cricket representative on the Committee under the new rule.

The proceeding concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman proposed by Mr. J. B. Wood.

TELEPHONE CHARGES.

CALCUTTA CORPORATION'S PROTEST.

Following the great telephone controversy here, the appended extract from *The Englishman*, Calcutta, dated September 4, will be read with interest:

An interested and important item of business at the meeting of the Calcutta Corporation on Wednesday next will be the confirmation of a resolution of the Gas, etc. Special Committee characterising the present telephone service as very unsatisfactory and protesting against the increase in charges.

The resolutions of the Gas etc. Special Committee are as follows:—

(1) That the Committee record their protest against the increase in telephone charges.

(2) That the Committee are of opinion that the rebate of 25 per cent allowed by the Bengal Telephone Coy. in the case of the Corporation is inadequate and should be increased to 33-1/3 per cent.

(3) That in the opinion of the Committee the Bengal Telephone Coy. should grant a rebate of 25 per cent to the public if bills are paid at the office of the company within ten days of the due date.

(4) That in the opinion of the Committee the present telephone service is very unsatisfactory. They recommend that the Bengal Telephone Coy. be called upon to improve the service and maintain it in an efficient state.

NEWSPAPER'S COMMENT.

In the course of an article on the proposed telephone extension, the *Englishman* said:—It is also proposed to establish a trunk line to Lyallpur with a trunk to Lahore, another at Amritsar with additional trunk lines between Amritsar and Lahore Cantonment. The automatic exchange at Lahore already gives proof of its utility in the rapid progress it has made. The exchange at Multan will shortly be ready for operations and it is expected that the exchanges at Kasur and Ferozepore will also be opened. Kasur is also to be linked with a trunk line to Simla.

It is also proposed to install a 500 line automatic exchange (Pent-Corner Co.) at Cantonment having an ultimate capacity of 2,000 lines. Automatic apparatus is also available for the proposed exchange at Allahabad, and it is hoped to install it as soon as possible. The installation of automatic exchange in the coal fields near Calcutta at Sindri, Jheria, Loyabad and later at Disergarh, Asansol, and Raneebunge, is only a question of time.

GREAT VIOLINIST HERE.

CONCERT ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Michael Pistor, one of the world's great violinists, gives a concert here in the City Hall next week. The press tributes he has received everywhere he has played testify to his talent. A mature musician whose chief aim is to present music with fitting regard for its innate beauty Pistor has been described as a very admirable, spirited and scholarly player, with imagination. He produces a wonderful sweetness of tone and his executive ability is great. His playing is a triumph of song of brilliant youth and balanced art; of tone, of rhythm, of legato. His double stopping is richly effective and his intonation infallibly right. With this praise coming from places Pistor has already visited, local music lovers can repair to the City Hall on Wednesday afternoon confident of an unusually fine performance.

Michael Pistor was born in Kerz Russia, in the year 1891. He first studied under his father and then entered the famous Petrograd Conservatoire of Music where he studied under Professor Auer having gained extensive knowledge, he left the Conservatoire in 1910 with first class honours, including the principal gold medal. Since then he has played in the world's principal cities.

PRAYA SCUFFLE.

FOUGHT EVEN WHEN THEY FELL INTO THE WATER.

A Shanghai Chinese was this morning fined \$5 or seven days by Mr. E. W. Hamilton for disorderly conduct, namely fighting in Connaught Road yesterday.

Inspector Macdonald said defendant was in the habit of protesting a countryman for money. Yesterday they met on the Praya, and a fight ensued as the result of the other man refusing to give the defendant any more money. They fought until they both fell into the harbour, and continued the fight in the water until both were "fished" out by the police.

The older man failed to appear in Court when his name was called, and his bail of \$5 was estreated.

CURRENT COMMENT.

WHAT THE CHINESE PAPERS ARE SAYING.

CANTON'S CRIME WAVE.

In an editorial the *Chinese Commercial News* asks for what reasons does the civil population contribute its gold, "earned by blood and sweat," towards the upkeep of the army. The only logical object is to secure protection ensuring peace. This protection must necessarily include the elimination of robbers; the soldiers would be utterly lacking in their duty if they failed to accomplish this. Moreover, they would lose all respect from their supporters.

As Canton is the commercial and political capital of Kwangtung province, the necessity of the troops rendering their services is most pronounced. "Canton is as full of soldiers and police as a forest is of trees." It cannot be truthfully argued that there is no surfeit as uniforms can always be seen in all parts of the city. Dr. Sun has left Kwangtung and General Chen Ch'ung-ming is in full power. There is nothing to divert the attention of the troops and the city police are placed "like the stars in the firmament" and "pavans on a chess board." The merchants and civil element should, therefore, have all the protection they require from aggressive characters. Unfortunately nothing approaching this has taken place.

The press has, practically every day, reports of highway or household robberies and other outrages. Not only have the guardians of peace failed in their prime duty, but have actually participated in acts of terrorism, earning for themselves epithets of "Great Khaki Huns," and other derogatory names. It is exceedingly difficult to understand the attitude of the Government. On the one hand, the people are promised revision of military regulations and reduction of the number of troops, indicating that their wishes would be respected. But on the other hand, they have no redress for the outrages committed. Having enjoyed comparative peace for a long time they can only nurse their feelings as they have no opportunity to voice their ex recussions. The military greatly outnumber the police; hence the police never dare interfere with the soldiers. There are genuine grounds for asserting that the troops have been implicated in molestation of people. On the pretence of making a search, bodies of troops have committed robberies; false accusations of anti-government sympathies have paved the way to stripping unfortunate victims, and at all hours of the day people have been held up at the point of a pistol. No discrimination is made. Fruit is taken as booty and birds are robbed. It certainly stands to reason that treasure and merchant's property are all the more desired. Apparently, the soldiers' idea of service is to draw pay in return for no work or worse still, to rob those who contribute to their keep. The various commanders only recognise one part of the bargain which is to press continually for payment of their subordinates. They seem totally unaware of the fact that something is expected in return and are content to permit the inhabitants to suffer the hardships resulting from these outrages. "At no other time is the need for strict surveillance of the troops more pressing." During the recent Sun Chen dispute, the people lived in a continued state of terror. At the time it was explained that the leader of the Kwangtung troops, Chen Ch'ung-ming was away, and his absence entailed slackness in discipline. Now the strife has been brought to a close and General Chen has resumed the post of Commander in chief. He is in supreme control and can do as he pleases. A severe proclamation will put a speedy end to the outrages. Moreover, Chen is known to be a strict disciplinarian and his administrative abilities are well able to cope with the situation. Of course, it may be argued that the troops have to resort to looting if their pay is not forthcoming but this is contrary to the rules of military control. To ensure the pay being sufficient, all supernumerary troops should be demobilised and no more be enlisted. An announcement from General Chen as to his plans to relieve the distress is eagerly awaited by the Cantonese.

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WHY HE RAN.

BASKET'S SINISTER CONTENTS.

A Chinese detective, was on duty in Munwah Lane at 6 o'clock this morning, when he saw a man carrying a heavy basket. He asked the man what the basket contained, but the latter did not reply. Instead he started to run. The detective tripped him over and caught him. Inside the basket were found two revolvers, two rifle barrels and 630 rounds of ammunition.

Defendant said he did not know what the basket contained. He ran to stop a man walking a moderate distance in front, for he had engaged him to carry the basket.

Sentence of twelve months jail was passed.

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COLONY'S FINANCES.

COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR JUNE.

The Colony's financial statement for the month of June in as follows:—

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE. Balance of Assets and Liabilities on 31st May 1922, \$9,586,488.74

Revenue from 1st to 30th June, 1922, \$1,646,108.61

Expenditure from 1st to 30th June, 1922, \$1,519,647.99

Balance \$9,712,949.36

A comparative statement of the Colony's revenue and expenditure for

the period ended June 30, this year, gives the following totals under the revenue head:—

Estimates 1922 \$17,276,260; revenue from June 1 to 30, \$1,646,108.61; revenue for the corresponding period the previous year, \$1,372,442.80; actual revenue to June 30, this year, \$11,512,280.24; and revenue for corresponding period the previous year, \$7,810,494.60.

Under the expenditure head the statement gives the following totals:—

Estimates 1922, \$20,198,980; expenditure from June 1 to 30, \$1,519,647.99; expenditure for corresponding period the previous year, \$1,068,428.96; actual expenditure to June 30 this year, \$8,278,026.73; and expenditure for corresponding period the previous year, \$8,421,324.58.

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AQUATICS.

V.R.O. GALA.

LYON WINS 220 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Another big gathering of spectators attended the second day's sport of the Victoria Recreation Club's annual 3 day swimming gala yesterday afternoon, when another fine programme of sport was enjoyed by all.

The feature event was the 220 yards race for the Championship of the Colony, which was won by D. Lyon. Johnstone the all-round Champion of the Colony again did not swim. Laing and Jack were the other two contestants in the race, and Lyon won from them by about half a length. Laing had to put up a stiff fight against Jack to secure second place. A May was in fine form for the 100 yards boy's championship and won an easy race. J. Montalto was second. The 100 yards race for the Championship of the Army and Navy had to be postponed, as there were few entrants for the event.

RESULTS.

Four Lengths Handicap (Members).
—1, S. A. Marcel (rec. 12secs). Time: 1min. 13secs. 2, J. Stewart (rec. 7secs.). Time: 1min. 12.2-5 secs.
Two Lengths Handicap (Boys).
1st Heat—1, A. May (rec. 7secs.). Time: 30secs. 2, W. Tilley (rec. 5secs.). Time: 37secs.
2nd Heat—1, W. A. Urquhart (rec. 7secs.). Time: 32.2-5secs. 2, L. Roza Pereira (rec. 2secs.). Time: 35.2-5secs.
3rd Heat—1, A. Bliss (rec. 7secs.). Time: 33secs. 2, F. Suzara (rec. 2secs.). Time: 38secs.
4th Heat—1, H. Watson (rec. 7secs.). Time: 38secs. 2, C. Noronha (rec. 4secs.). Time: 39secs.
5th Heat—1, J. Montalto (rec. 2secs.). Time: 36secs. 2, M. Noronha (rec. 4secs.). Time: 41secs.
Long Plunge.—1, M. A. R. Souza, 58 feet 2 inches; 2, B. Ramursen, 56 feet.

220 Yards Championship of Colony.
—1, D. Lyon. Time: 2mins. 40secs. 2, D. Laing. Time: 2mins. 47secs.
Two Lengths Handicap (Army and Navy).—1, Stoker Baldwin (rec. 1sec). Time: 29secs. 2, Gunner McDade (rec. 1sec). Time: 29secs.

Four Lengths Handicap (Ladies).
—1, Miss R. Kitchell (rec. 7secs). Time: 1min. 40secs. 2, Miss E. Bell (rec. 7secs). Time: 1min. 38secs.
Two Lengths Team Race (Members).
—1, D. Lyon's Team; 2, E. A. Noronha's Team.

Four Lengths Handicap (Girls).
—1st Heat.—1, E. Bliss (rec. 18secs). Time: 1min. 46secs. 2, M. Groundwater (rec. 1sec). Time: 1min. 42secs.
2nd Heat.—1, E. Bliss (rec. 18secs). Time: 1min. 39secs. 2, R. Pathoyjohns (rec. 18secs). Time: 1min. 56secs.
100 Yards Boys' Championship of the Colony.—1, A. May. Time: 1min. 7.25 secs. 2, J. Montalto. Time: 1min. 15.3-5 secs.

WATER POLO.

LEAGUE CLOSED.

V.R.C. WINNERS.

The Hongkong Water Polo League is completed. The last match of the season was played between the Lusitano Recreation Club and the R.C.A., and was won by the Portuguese by the only goal scored. The V.R.C. are again Champions of the league, having won every match of the season. The Lusitanos and the United Athletic Club tie for runners-up honours with 10 points each.

LEAGUE TABLE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
V.R.C.	8	8	0	0	59	3	16
L.R.C.	8	5	3	0	22	20	10
U.A.C.	8	5	3	0	19	25	10
R.G.A.	8	2	6	0	17	28	4
King's	8	0	8	0	8	49	0

For the League champions, Buschardt scored 59 goals, Watson 8, Jack 4, Stewart 4, Ramursen 3, and Sewell 1, while McDade, R.G.A. (2), and Perry (King's) scored the goals against.

On promising never to be late in such a manner again, Private George Harpham 22, Grenadier Guards, who was accused at the London Mansion House of attempting to commit suicide with his wife while on duty at the Bank of England, was discharged.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER.

RESULTS OF THE 10 WEEKS' COMPETITION.

The hidden name answers—Sam, Caroline, Polly, Jane, Nora, Richard, Hope, Mabel, Peter, Edna.
Prize Winners:—Richard Wong, Farris Ruttonje, Edna Batalha, Elna Batalha, Jean M. W. Foulks, Hilma Souza.

Consolation Prizes:—Jean Ho Tung (9), Christopher James (2), Edna Cowen (9), Olive White (9), Arthur White (7), Margaret Cameron (9), Theodora Cameron (9).

My dear Children.

There were a number of entries for this competition, which seems to have been a popular one, and I am glad that so many of you were interested in it and followed it up for the ten weeks.

As once before, some of you gave me a surprise by sending hidden names which I had not seen myself. One or two instead of the name "Hope" for the seventh week found "Nat" and that I counted as equally correct.

C. James found "Eric" for the fourth week instead of "Richard" ("You will never be rich, arduous worker though you are." Very good Christopher!).

Then Jean Ho Tung gave me "Jane" and "Nan" for the 4th week. I hope that you will all like your prizes. Sometimes it quite puzzles me to know what to send you and then I try to think what I liked when I was as old as you and hope that you will like the same kind of things!

Your loving,

PETER PEN.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Je n'ho Tung.—It was quite all right your printing that week.

Edna Cowen.—Thank you for your nice letter. I am quite well again now thank you and was sorry not to be able to send a story for you that one week.

Margaret Cameron.—What a pity you could not find that one answer but I hope all the same that you will like your consolation prize.
Elna and Edna Batalha.—Your answers were very carefully typed. Do you type them yourselves, I wonder!

SNIP AND SNOOP TRY TO KNIT.

Mary was knitting one day. She was making some socks for her father's birthday. They were meant to be a surprise for him as she had never done anything of the kind before except a woollen muffler. Snip and Snoop who were sitting near her watched her needles as they flashed in and out.

"I suppose Mary likes doing that," said Snip to his brother. "But it seems a slow business. She has been at it for week."

"Yes it does seem to take a long time," agreed Snoop. "And I heard her saying yesterday that she simply must get them finished for the birthday is to-morrow."

"What are you two doggies muttering about?" asked Mary, looking up from her work, but she did not wait for an answer and added hastily as her eyes fell on the clock, "Oh how late it is! I must go or I shall miss my music lesson and then there will be trouble. And I don't know how I am going to get this last sock done in time." And she banded it up together, put it in her work basket and hurried out of the room.

Snip was darting after her, for the dogs always went with her to her music lesson, when Snoop caught hold of his tail and pulled him back.

"Don't be so rough Snop," snapped Snip. "Whatever did you do that for?"

"Come here," whispered Snop, "I have an idea."
"What is it?" whispered Snip curiously. Just then Mary was heard calling, "Snip, Snop, where are you? I am going now."

"Hide," urged Snop and although Snip could not understand what this was all about he crept under the sofa and when Mary popped her head round the door there was no one to be seen.

"They must have gone on," Mary said aloud. "And anyway I cannot wait to find them now." And off she went again.

As soon as the front door had slammed the dogs came out from their hiding place.

"Now," said Snip, "What is it all about?"

"Why cannot we finish Mary's sock for her?" asked Snop and, as he said it, he looked at his brother rather doubtfully out of the corner of his eye for he knew it was an extraordinary idea.

"You cannot knit," Snip replied in a puzzled tone, "And I am sure that I do not know how to either."
"No-but we can't try can't we?" went on Snop hopefully. "We have been watching Mary for ever so long and it

seems to me that if you hold that shiny stick and I take the wool in my mouth and pull it round it that is all that there is to be done."

"All right, let us try," agreed Snip, "Mary will be very pleased if we do finish it."

So he got on to the table, fetched the sock out of the basket and jumped with it on to the floor.

"Now then," said Snop excitedly and he picked up the wool and ran round the needle with it whilst Snip held up the work.

"After that Mary seems to give it a kind of poke," Snip told him and he tried to do this. But alas some of the stitches fell off the needle and the wool became hopelessly tangled up.

"Oh dear, what shall we do now?" groaned Snop. "That was a silly kind of poke you gave it Snip."

"Well anyway something had to be done and how could I help it getting muddled up," retorted his brother. They were both getting hot and feeling rather cross with one another when came Mary's mother.

"What are you doing?" she exclaimed. "What a muddle you dogs have made of Mary's knitting."

Snop picked up the wool again and tried to show her how he had twisted it round the needle and when she saw this Mary's mother burst out laughing. "I do believe that you were trying to finish Mary's sock for her," she cried. "You two dear dogs. It was very kind of you to think of it. I will see if I can put it right."

Then she took up the knitting and soon she had picked up the stitches and as there were only three or four rows to finish off she did those as well.

When Mary came back she was delighted to find the work done. Her mother told her about Snip and Snoop and she said that they were dear old things to try and help her.

"I thought that we were going to get into serious trouble that time," said Snoop.

"Yes so did I. I do not think that we will try to do any more knitting in a hurry," replied his brother.

PETER PEN.

KNITTING.

I suppose I must have woollen socks And knitted caps and winter frocks But, if the grown ups only knew, They've lots of other things to do. Each time I say, "Do read to me, Nurse mothers "Decrease one in three."

I know her thoughts are far away, I don't think she knows how to play. For when I ask "Will you play ship?" She says, "The first one always ships" Oh when I'm big I'll never knit, I hate the very sight of it. Folks cannot play or talk or read, I do think knitting's dull indeed.

PETER PEN.

What is it that which has wings but cannot fly? A house.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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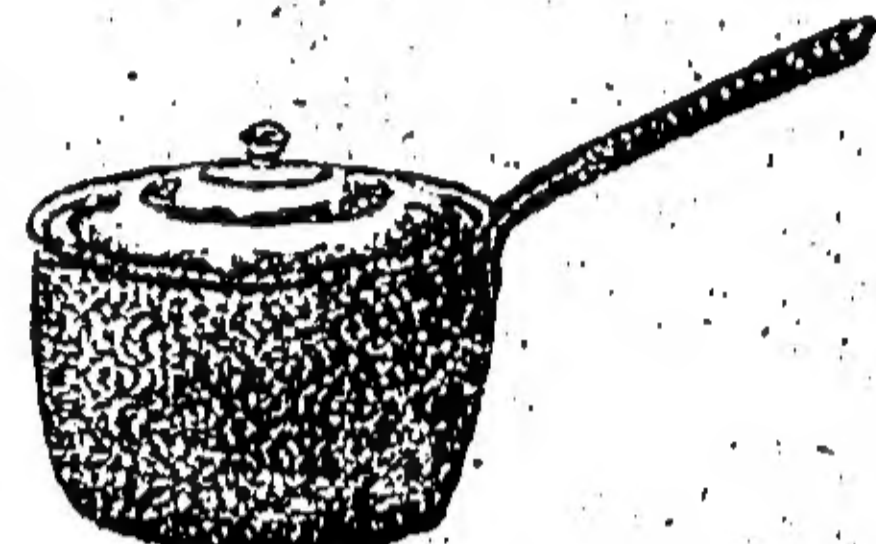
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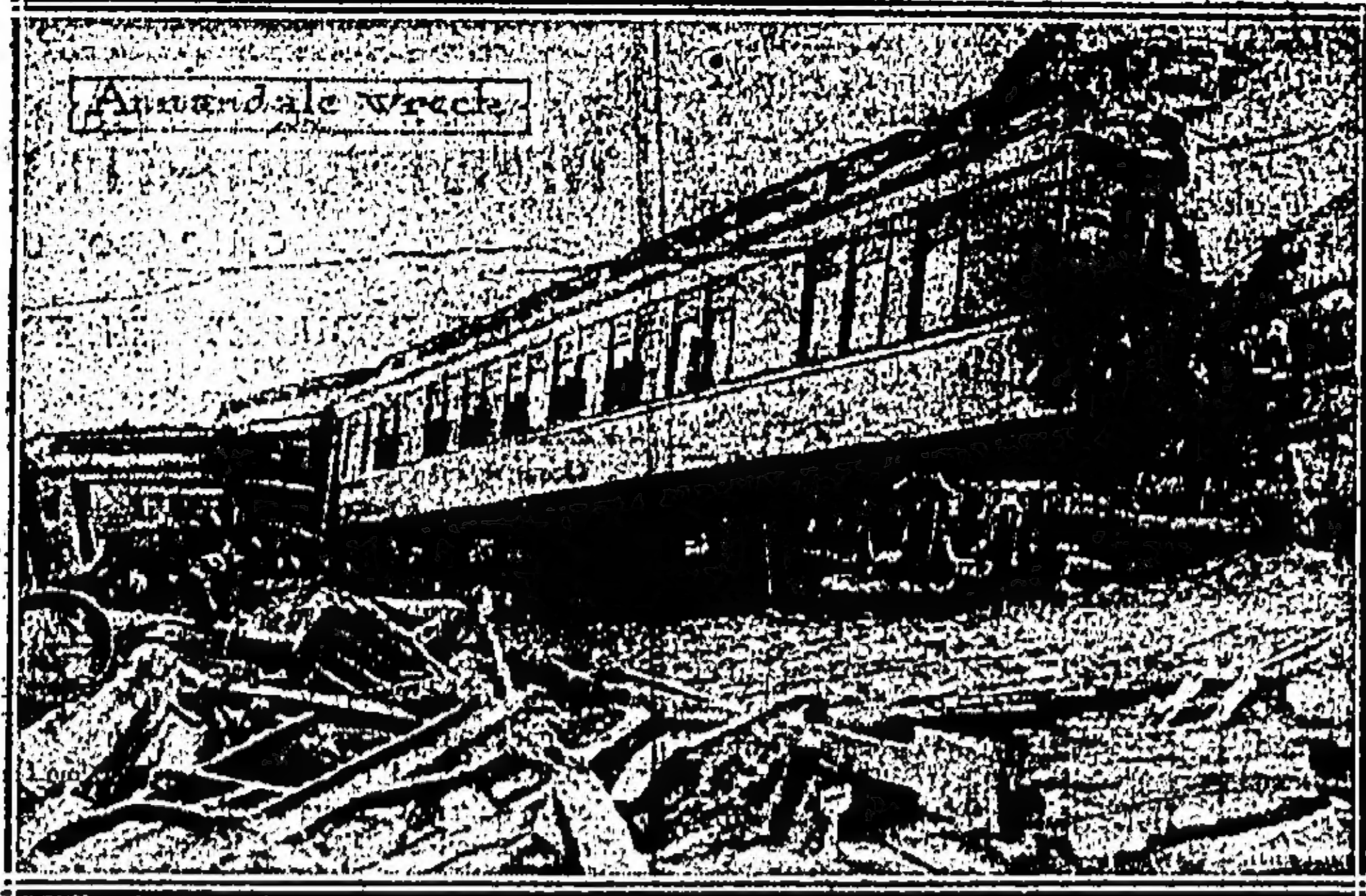
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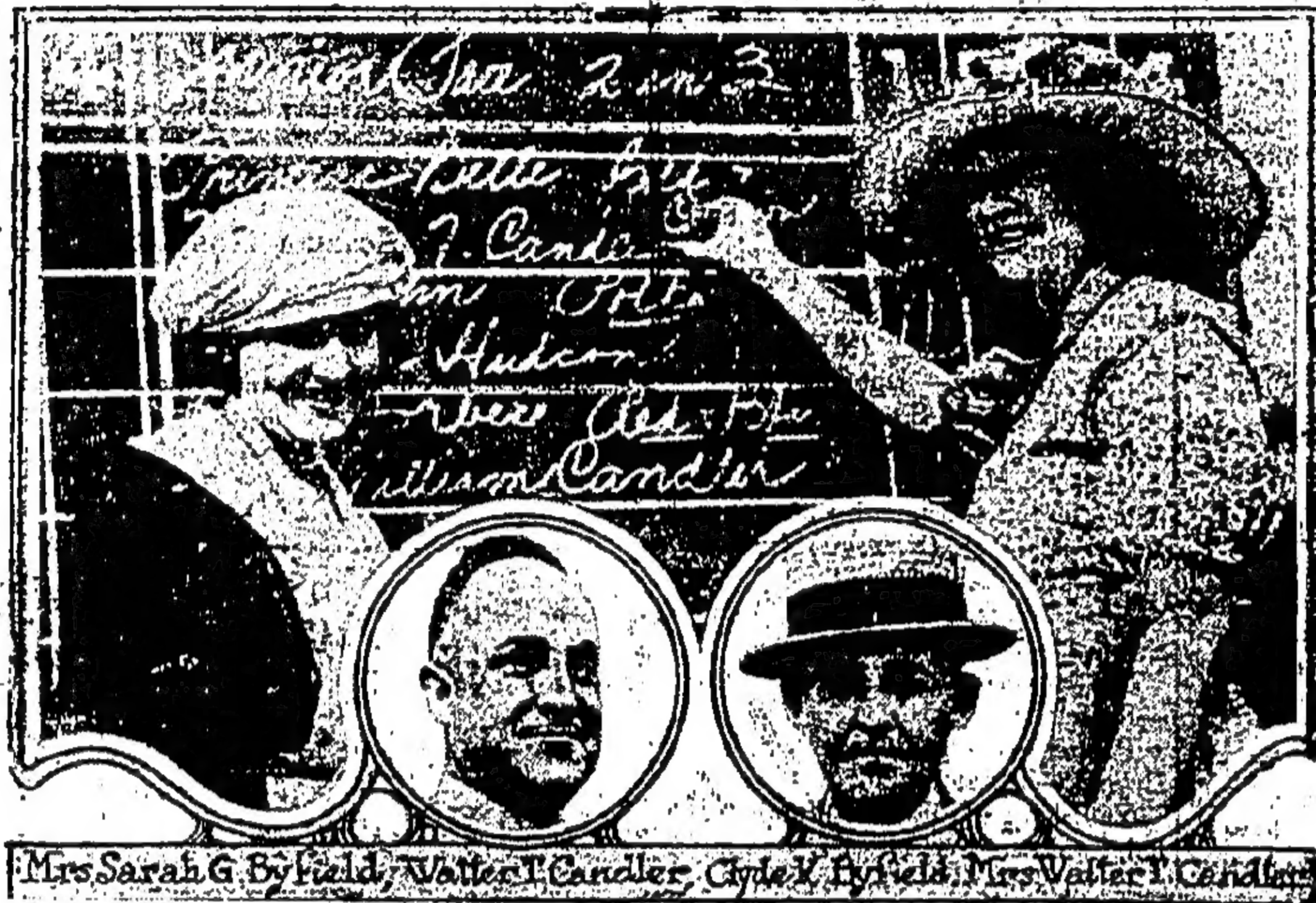
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